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Dr. J. R. Killian, Jr.
Special Assistant to the President
on Science and Technology
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your letter of 6 January advising me that administrative responsibility for the Baker Panel has been transferred to the White House.

With regard to the report of the Baker Panel, I wish to add this. Members of this Agency competent in the field, and members of USCIB as concerned, over the past several months have had many conferences with the Baker Panel and have made comments on a first draft and have received a second draft. I believe that the most expeditious method of procedure would be to have the final report of the Baker Panel submitted as promptly as possible in order that the final comments of the interested departments and agencies, and of USCIB, may be sought and made available to the Special Committee. There are certain basic differences of views between various members of the Intelligence Community concerned and the Baker Panel which cannot, I believe, be resolved by further discussions with the members of the Panel itself, and at this time we have no further comments to submit.

In my capacity as Director of Central Intelligence and as Chairman of USCIB, I shall see to it that comments on the final report are made available to the Special Committee as expeditiously as possible.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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